

Authority of India do not maintain employment details of the relatives of their employees.

(c) No Sir.

#### Inspection of Rajkot Airport

<sup>t</sup>549. SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Chairman of the Airports Authority of India had carried out inspection of the Rajkot Airport recently;
- (b) if so, the details of the inspection carried out by him;
- (c) whether he has proposed that the said airport is not fit for domestic flights; and
- (d) if so, the criteria on the basis of which the said airport has not been found fit?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) and (b) The observation made in the inspection of Rajkot Airport were communicated to the State Government of Gujarat on 15.11.2000 for the removal of obstructions in the Approach Funnel, which were safety threat to aircraft operations. The State Government (Municipal Authorities) were instructed to enforce the specific height clearances as approved by AAI to remove violations. For extension of runway to 7500 ft. suitable for the operation of Airbus-320 Aircraft additional land is required. Some portion of the land belong to Railways. State highway needs to be diverted. The State Government will coordinate for the exchange of land between State Government & Railways, in order to enable Airports Authority of India to undertake extension of runway, as soon as the land is made available.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

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